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KHABAROVSK INDUSTRY MAKES 1949 PLANS

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V. Alekseyev, secretary of the Khabarovsk City Committee of the VKP(b), reports that the city's industry successfully completed the 1948 plan, produced 17 percent more goods than in 1947, and started serial production of more than 20 new types of products. At present, all enterprises in the city, with the exception of the Plant imeni Gor'kiy and several artels, are completing their present quotas.

The Plant imeni Ordzhonikidze (director, Litvinov) was the first of the city's enterprises to complete the 1948 plan and realized more than 5 million rubles in above-plan profits. The Plant imeni Molotov increased production output and realized more than 8 million rubles in above-plan profits. Productivity of labor increased 22.3 percent in 12 months of 1948, and production costs decreased 32.3 percent more than planned as a result of improved technology and introduction of high-speed methods of metal processing.

A technical conference of more than 1,000 industrial and transport workers called by the city Party committee in December discussed the need for a more extensive mechanization of labor-consuming processes, a field in which very little has been done in the city's industry. For example, 25 percent of the workers in the sewing industry operate machines by foot. Mechanization is progressing very slowly in the Khabarovsk Shoe Factory, and in construction organizations. A number of machine-building plants, particularly the Plants imeni Gork'iy and imeni Kirov, are not mechanizing such processes as assembly of products and inter-shop transport of products.

The 1949 plans for organizational and technical measures must provide for complete and complex mechanization, from the first to the last production process. Only the first steps have been taken in Khabarovsk enterprises to develop assembly-line production and automation. The Plant imeni Molotov, has organized assembly line production of separate parts. Automatic assembly machines have been installed in the Plant imeni Kirov.

High-speed machining of metal should also be introduced more extensively. The Plants imeni Molotov and imeni Gor'kiy have introduced these methods in several operations, but there has been no mass conversion throughout the city's enterprises. Other methods such as chill casting, anodic machining or cutters,

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galvanized plating, etc., should also be more widely used throughout the city.

The coefficient of equipment utilization is very poor in some enterprises, e.g., the "Avtozemles" Plant, where the coefficient is only 66 percent, and in construction organizations where it is even less. The new heat-treatment furnace in the "Avtozemles" Plant has not yet been used, and the large-scale press equipment in the railroad car depot at Khabarovsk Station No 2 is not in operation. Several enterprises in Khabarovsk have not made necessary efforts to improve production quality. The Kamohadai-50 engine produced by the Plant imeni Molotov has serious defects, for which Galushko, director of the plant, and Martynov, chief engineer, are mainly responsible.

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Industry in the city of Khabarovsk, in answer to an appeal made by Kamohadai'sk industry, has pledged to:

Complete the 1949 plan by 1 December.

Achieve the 1950 level of production by the fourth quarter 1949.

Give the State 40 million rubles in accumulations and release 25 million rubles of working capital in 1949 by decreasing production costs and speeding turnover of working capital.

Include 60,000 workers in a technical training program to be carried out in minimum technical training groups, Stakhanovite schools, and courses for foremen; and increase the rank of 80 percent of these workers.

Increase the number of pieceworkers in the city's enterprises by 12 percent in the first half of 1949.

Complete the 1949 construction plan ahead of schedule, on 1 December, including the plan for construction of 15,000 square meters of housing;

Complete the following housing plans by 1 November: 2,000 square meters of housing at the Plant imeni Gor'kiy, 1,500 square meters at the Plant imeni Kirov, 1,000 square meters at the Plant imeni Kaganovich, 925 square meters at the Plant imeni Molotov, 700 square meters at the Plant imeni Ordzhonikidze, and 1,800 square meters at the ship-repair plant and the bath and laundry combine.

Start construction of an electric power plant.

Construct 9,000 square meters of paved and 55,000 square meters of gravel road in the city; asphalt 45,000 square meters of road and sidewalk.

Improve the quality and increase the assortment of consumer goods, adopt mass production of 28 new types of consumer goods, and produce 4 million rubles' worth of furniture for the city's population.

Open nine new stores on the outskirts of the city and 37 lunch counters in enterprises.

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